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Justice of the Supreme Court by Designation since 1995.

Judge McGann has been an Adjunct Associate Professor of Criminal Justice at St. John's University since 1977. He has lectured nationally on arson and other Fire Service related issues. He attended the National College of District Attorneys and the Cornell Organized Crime School.

He is a member of the Queens County Bar and the Association of the Bar of the City of New York. Judge McGann is also a member of the Catholic Lawyers Guild and is active in his parish, St. Andrew Avellino.

Judge McGann and his wife, Jane, are the proud parents of two daughters, Laura and Elizabeth.

Mr. Speaker, please join me recognizing Judge Robert C. McGann on a distinguished career, and his lifetime of commitment to Queens County and New York City.

#### RECOGNIZING NATIONAL BIKE TO WORK WEEK AND THE CONTRIBUTION OF THE LONG BEACH BIKESTATION

##### HON. STEPHEN HORN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 18, 2000

Mr. HORN. Mr. Speaker, May 14–20 is National Bike to Work Week. As a longtime supporter of bicycling, I encourage Americans to participate in this week of safe cycling as an alternative way to commute. As concerns rise about congestion on our roads and more air pollution, many workers forget about an alternative that is good for the soul and the environment.

Many commuters must rely on cars or public transit to get to work or school. However, for many, biking to work represents an often overlooked alternative. The bicycle represents a clean and convenient method of travel that more Americans are utilizing to stay fit, avoid traffic jams, parking hassles and expense, and promote clean air.

One development that is helping to make biking more attractive to commuters is located in the district I represent. The Long Beach Bikestation offers a public bike/transit center strategically located in downtown Long Beach to help people ride their bikes to work. Fifty thousand bikes have been used by satisfied customers. This facility won the Federal Highway Administration's Environmental Excellence award for Excellence in Community Livability in 1999. The Bikestation connects to more than 30 miles of suburban bike paths, downtown employment, shopping and a dining district. Modeled after facilities in Europe and Japan, the Long Beach Bike Station is considered the first of its kind in the United States and has inspired many similar facilities across the nation.

The Bikestation was launched primarily with Congestion Mitigation Air Quality funds as part of the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991, or ISTEA. Since its opening in 1996, the facility has offered access to Metro Rail and bus/shuttle services, free secure "valet" bicycle parking, rental bikes for

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tourists and local businesses, a changing room, repairs and accessories shop, bike/transit information and a small café for refreshments.

Building upon the gains in ISTEA, Congress broadened its support for bicyclists in 1998 with the passage of the Transportation Equity for the 21st Century Act, or TEA–21. This law explicitly made bike paths and facilities eligible for federal funding. It also mandates that bicyclists and pedestrians will be included in long range transportation plans and that bicyclist access and safety must be addressed in transportation projects.

I comment those who are promoting bike safety and awareness by participating in Bike to Work Week. More information on bicycle safety can be found on the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's website at [www.nhtsa.dot.gov/people/injury/pedbimot/bike](http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov/people/injury/pedbimot/bike).

#### HONORING ANDREW U. AMWAY FOR FORTY-ONE YEARS OF TEACHING

##### HON. JOSEPH R. PITTS

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 18, 2000

Mr. PITTS. Mr. Speaker, as the school year draws to a close, I would like to take this opportunity to recognize a teacher who has spent the last forty-one years educating students in my district.

Mr. Andrew U. Amway is a history teacher, the head of the social studies department, a coach, a club advisor and a mentor to countless Hempfield High School students. After spending one year teaching elementary students in a different school district, Mr. Amway came to Hempfield where he spent the rest of his career. Many students learned not only American history in his classroom, but also to take pride in being an American. He is an old-fashioned teacher that believes that hard work is the key to success. And he has certainly been successful in teaching and leading his students. The accomplishments of his students both in academics and in life speak for themselves.

Not only is Mr. Amway a dedicated teacher, but he served as the coach for several athletic teams at the high school—boys and girls tennis, boys and girls swimming, and cross country. During his thirty-nine years of coaching his combined record is an astonishing 1397–254–4. His teams have captured numerous district and league titles.

It is safe to say that Mr. Amway knows how to get the best out of his students both in class and on the playing field.

Forty-one years is a long time to work in any job, but it is particularly unusual in this day and age to find a teacher that has been in the classroom that long. At Hempfield High School, it is the end of an era. Thank you, Mr. Amway for your many years of service.

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HILLEL ACADEMY OF PITTSBURGH'S RECOGNITION OF SOPHIE MASLOFF AND ZVI AND RINA SHULDINER

##### HON. WILLIAM J. COYNE

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 18, 2000

Mr. COYNE. Mr. Speaker, today I acknowledge an upcoming event in my district. The Hillel Academy of Pittsburgh will recognize three individuals who have made significant contributions to the quality of life in our community.

Former Mayor of Pittsburgh Sophie Masloff will be honored for her many years of public service. Under her leadership the City weathered some difficult challenges and laid the groundwork for the prosperity that it is enjoying today. I had the honor and pleasure of working with Mayor Masloff during that time, and I was always impressed by her energy and her dedication to the people of the City of Pittsburgh.

Hillel Academy will also honor Zvi and Rina Shuldiner, who have served Hillel in a number of capacities, including their work as faculty members and as volunteer chairpersons for major school events. They have been involved in a number of activities that have benefited the Jewish community in Pittsburgh. The Shuldiners, it should be noted, are also the proud parents of three Hillel alumni.

I congratulate Mayor Masloff and Zvi and Rina Shuldiner, and I want to thank both them and the Hillel Academy for their efforts to improve the quality of life in Pittsburgh.

#### CONSERVATION AND REINVESTMENT ACT OF 1999

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##### HON. DEBBIE STABENOW

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 11, 2000

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 701) to provide Outer Continental Shelf Impact Assistance to State and local governments, to amend the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965, the Urban Park and Recreation Recovery Act of 1978, and the Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration Act (commonly referred to as the Pittman-Robertson Act) to establish a fund to meet the outdoor conservation and recreation needs of the American people, and for other purposes;

Ms. STABENOW. Mr. Chairman, I rise today in support of H.R. 701, the Conservation and Reinvestment Act of 1999, and in support of the motion to recommit the bill to guarantee that any expenditure of funds will not jeopardize Social Security and Medicare. I strongly believe that eliminating the national debt and securing the financial future of Social Security and Medicare should be our top priorities. We must take advantage of our economic good times to secure these successful programs and rid this nation of its public debt.

During consideration of H.R. 701, Congressman Shadegg offered an amendment that purported to accomplish these goals. While I